

MHSA HOUSING PROGRAM THIRTY DAY PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD

The California Department of Mental Health (DMH), in accordance with the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Housing Program, and the Community Supports and Services (CSS) component, has identified funding to develop permanent supportive housing for consumers of mental health who are currently homeless or at risk of homelessness.

The MHSA Housing Program funds are jointly administered by the California Department of Mental Health (DMH) and the California Housing and Finance Agency (CalHFA). However, prior to funds being transferred to CalHFA, counties are required to enter into an assignment agreement which would allow them to participate in this State-administered MHSA housing program. The County of San Bernardino housing program's allocation is \$20,178,200 and the County has agreed to transfer the amount into a State held, interest bearing account for the development of local housing for seriously mentally ill consumers enrolled in Full Service Partnership programs in the County.

A 30-day public review and comment period is also required for the County of San Bernardino to participate in this State-administered Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Housing Program for the purpose of providing permanent supportive housing for mental health consumers. The review period begins on April 7, 2008 and will end on May 7, 2008. A public hearing will take place on May 1, 2008 at the following location:

**Mental Health Commission Meeting
Behavioral Health Resource Center
850 E. Foothill Blvd
Rialto, CA**

Comments may be sent to the MHSA Comment/Question Line: 1-800-722-9866 or emailed to mhsa@dbh.sbcounty.gov.